

COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Webinar, Feb.11th Highlights

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Storage and Handling of Pfizer and Moderna Vaccines

Pfizer Vaccine: Shipping, Handling & Administration

- Authorized for individuals 16 years of age and older.
- There are two types of thermal shipping containers: “Softbox” and “AeroSafe”
- Ancillary supplies typically arrive within 24 hours of receipt of vaccine shipment.
- Sites are responsible for continuing to monitor the product storage temperature.
- The thermal shipping container may be used as temporary storage for up to 30 days from delivery. A carton of vials may take up to 3 hours to thaw, and thawed vials can be stored in the refrigerator for up to five days (120 hours). After dilution, vials of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine contain SIX DOSES of 0.3 mL of vaccine.

Moderna Vaccine: Shipping Handling & Administration

- Authorized for individuals 18 years of age and older.
- Vials can be stored refrigerated between 2° to 8°C (36° to 46°F) for up to 30 days prior to first use. The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine is administered as a series of two doses (0.5 mL each) 1 month apart. Per the guidance from the FDA and the CDC, use every available dose per vial. DO NOT mix partial doses from different vials.
- There are no data available on the interchangeability of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine with other COVID-19 vaccines to complete the vaccination series.

Session Q & A

Resources:

- [ImmTrac2 User Training Site.](#)
- [The Online Disaster Reporting training](#)
- [ImmTrac2 Forms and Documents](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Resources \(training materials, videos\)](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Enrollment Information](#)
- [CDC Clinical Considerations for or Use of mRNA COVID-19 Vaccines](#)
- DSHS COVID-19 Vaccine Provider hotline: (877) 835-7750, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday; Email: COVID19VacEnroll@dshs.texas.gov

FAQ:

- Where can providers find additional trainings on vaccine administration?
- How long can each thawed vaccine presentation sit out before it must be administered?
- How long after a patient tests positive do they have to wait before receiving a first dose vaccine?
- What does an “Exported” status in VAOS under my service request mean?
- How long does it take for a transfer request to be approved?
- What should I do with extra doses of vaccine?

